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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Insert the following paragraph on a new line after the title:

This application is a § 371 application of PCT/EP03/12317, which claims priority from DE 10256106.0, filed November 29, 2002..

First paragraph, following the title:

Description BACKGROUND

Insert the following on a new line before the first paragraph of page 2:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

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It is claimed for the The invention that this object is attained by a method for determining the torque of an internal combustion engine by acquiring a first measured variable relating to an angular velocity of the internal combustion engine, acquisition of a second measured variable relating to a charge pressure of the internal combustion engine or simulation of a charge pressure value as a function of the first measured variable, and determination of the torque from the first measured variable and the second measured variable or from the first measured variable and the simulated charge pressure value.

In addition, the object indicated in the foregoing claimed for the invention is attained by means of a device for determination of torque of an internal combustion engine having a first sensor mechanism for acquisition of a first measured variable relating to the angular velocity of the internal combustion engine, a second sensor mechanism for acquisition of a second measured variable relating to the charge pressure of the internal combustion engine or a mechanism for simulation of a charge pressure value as a function of the first measured variable, and a data processing mechanism which is connected to the first and second sensor mechanisms or to the first sensor mechanism and the simulation mechanism for determination of torque from the first measured variable and the second measured variable or from the first measured variable and the simulated charge pressure value.

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